

Please note that a Green notice is published to provide warnings or criminal intelligence about persons who have committed criminal offences and or are likely to repeat these crimes in other countries.

A Green Notice is published only if it fulfils all conditions for processing the information. For example, a Notice will not be published if it violates Article 3 of the INTERPOL Constitution which forbids the Organization from undertaking any intervention or activities of a political, military, religious or racial character.

INTERPOL Ottawa processes Green Notices at the request of Canadian law enforcement agencies and adheres to the "INTERPOL's Rules on the Processing of Data Article 89 (RPD) which ensure the legality and quality of information, and the protection of personal data. In order to justify the request, INTERPOL Ottawa would require supporting evidence from the requesting agency which addresses the requirements set out in Article 89 of the RPD. Article 89 (1), (2) & (3) would be the appropriate subsections for the issuance of Green Notices.

With reference to Article 89 (4) which states "**... The National Central Bureaus and national entities that receive Green notices shall take the appropriate measures, in conformity with their national laws...**"; This subsection is included due to the intent of the Green Notice (to warn about a person's criminal activities) and does not refer to the issuance of an INTERPOL Green Notices by Canada but rather indicates that each country is to take appropriate measures when receiving Green Notices published by foreign agencies. For example, if Canada was to receive a Green Notice published by a foreign government and encounters the subject of that notice, any measures taken by Canadian authorities are to be in line with Canadian laws (ie: Canadian Privacy Act, Canadian Criminal Code, the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act, etc...).

The INTERPOL Constitution and INTERPOL RPD are both accessible to the public online. The INTERPOL Rules on the Processing of Data (RPD) and the INTERPOL Constitution are both available at: <https://www.interpol.int/About-INTERPOL/Legal-materials> (near the bottom where it lists reference documents). Along with the applicable Canadian legislation, these are the rules and policy that INTERPOL Ottawa must abide by when issuing an INTERPOL Notices at the request of the Canadian law enforcement agency.

INTERPOL Ottawa does not maintain statistics in relation to how many Green Notice requests were received versus how many were issued however we can confirm that 5 Green Notices were issued in both 2016 & 2017 respectively.